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SUBJECT: ERITREA - ELF HOSTAGES RELEASED

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1. ACCORDING TO ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL, THREE ITALIAN NATIONALS (TWO ITALIAN TOURISTS AND ONE ERITREAN WITH ITALIAN PASSPORT), HELD BY ELF IN VICINITY BURI PENINSULA SINCE SEPT 2, WERE RELEASED UNHARMED ON SPET 26 WITHOUT ANY RANSOM HAVING ACTUALLY BEEN PAID, DESPITE INITIAL DEMAND. THE TWO ITALIANS DEPARTED FOR ROME THE NEXT DAY. LOCAL PAPER, IL QUOTIDIANO ERITREO (PUBLISHED BY THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION) CARRIED BRIEF STORY ON RELEASE IN SEPT 29 EDITION, BUT DESCRIBED THE HOSTAGES AS HAVE BEEN SEIZED AND HELD BY "UNKNOWN PERSONS."

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